



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Farmer, et al.
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/509,159 EXAMINER: Vera Afremova
FILING DATE: May 28, 2003 ART UNIT: 1651
FOR: TOPICAL USE OF PROBIOTIC BACILLUS SPORES TO PREVENT OR
CONTROL MICROBIAL INFECTIONS

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the January 19, 2006 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before June 19, 2006. Check #22647 in the amount of \$225.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

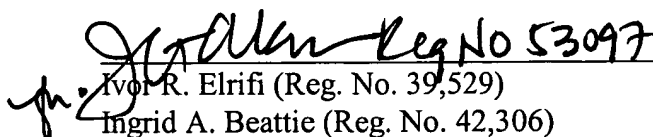
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account for any additional fees that may be due or credit any overpayment of same, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 19374-501 NATL). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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